

INTERVIEW SUMMARY

An interview was conducted on May 27, 2008. Participants in the interview included David J. McKenzie (Applicant's Representative, Reg. No. 46,919), Frank Newton (Applicant's Representative), Matthew J. Brophy (Examiner), and Anna Deng (Supervisory Patent Examiner). During the interview, Applicant's representatives discussed the patentability of Claim 1 in view of several proposed amendments. The prior art discussed included U.S. Patent No. 5,305,389 to Mark L. Palmer et al. ("Palmer"), and US Patent 6,092,154 Curtis ("Curtis").

Applicant's representatives explained that the subject matter of amended Claim 1, as proposed, is patentable over the prior art references of Palmer and Curtis. Specifically, Palmer and Curtis fail to teach a method of reading ahead in a message queue that includes both update requests and read requests and using the pending update requests to load the data that will be needed when the update request becomes the currently active work queue message. Also, Palmer fails to teach pretend update requests and in particular pretend update requests derived from a queued update request.

Examiner Brophy agreed that the proposed amendments to Claim 1 place Claim 1 in condition for allowance pending an updated search, and subsequent review.

In the interview of June 5th, 2008, Applicants indicated and intent to secure prompt allowance of allowable subject matter and discussed further proposed amendments that are included herein. Applicants invite the Examiner's cooperation in securing issuance soon based on these further amendments.